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Dear Dr. Pomin:

Time has really passed so rapidly since our delegation's memorable visit to the Soviet Union in March. I can only reiterate once again my deep appreciation for your most gracious hospitality. I have enclosed a print of a picture which was taken of us together on one of our many fine cultural tours of Moscow.

I am writing you at this time to invite you and your colleagues on the Mobile Sources Pollution Control Working Group to visit the United States this November from the 4th through the 10th. I received your letter in which you suggested a deferral of your return visit from our tentatively arranged September date. I discussed the matter with Dr. Yuri Kasakov during his visit here with Dr. Israel. He conveyed to me that you would like to be received on or about mid October. Unfortunately, due to previous commitments by myself and other U. S. members on the working group, we cannot schedule your visit at this time. Therefore I would like to propose the two week period in November mentioned above. Enclosed is a copy of the tentative itinerary for your visit. I hope it will meet with all of the desires you conveyed to me during my visit there. If there are other specific points of interest you wish to see, I will make every attempt to accommodate you.

As per the provisions of the protocol, I assume that your delegation will be composed of up to six members. In this regard I hope you have been successful in establishing interest in other agencies of your government in the transportation planning aspects of the proposed joint work program we drafted and that your delegation will include such experts. Mr. Convisser on the U. S. side, who represents our Department of Transportation, is making arrangements for technical sessions on this subject for your experts.

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We will arrange for the necessary interpreters and handle all costs of your visit from the time you arrive in New York, in accord with the receiving side pays agreement of this working group.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience your reactions to my proposed itinerary along with any additional suggestions. Could you also inform me at this time the tentative composition of your delegation? After I hear from you, I will proceed to firm up the itinerary in more detail as well as develop an agenda for the project meetings shown on the schedule.

I have enclosed a letter and some technical information which was requested of Mr. Stahman by several of your colleagues during our visit there.

I suggest that you transmit your response through the U. S. Embassy in Moscow, which will expedite it more than the regular mails.

It will indeed be my personal pleasure, as well as that of the other members of the working group, to see you again in November.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Kay H. Jones

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

VISIT OF SOVIET WORKING GROUP
ON MOBILE SOURCES POLLUTION CONTROL

NOVEMBER 4-18, 1973

Date	Activity
November 4	Arrive in New York City and travel to Washington, D. C.
November 5	a. Meeting of Working Group at EPA in joint session * * b. Cultural activities
November 6 (a.m.)	Meeting of Working Group on transportation planning at Department of Transportation
November 6 (p.m.)	a. Travel to Detroit/Ann Arbor, Michigan b. Tour of EPA Mobile Sources Pollution Control Laboratory c. Cultural activities
November 7, 8	<i>Technical meetings on sub-tasks of project work</i> <i>Technical meetings on sub-tasks of project work plan to develop final protocol.</i> <i>Tour of automobile industry's emissions control labs, advanced engine labs, and vehicle production facilities</i> a. Technical meetings on sub-tasks of project work plan to develop final protocol b. Tour of automobile industry's emissions control labs, advanced engine labs, and vehicle production facilities c. Cultural activities
November 9 (a.m.)	Travel to Reno, Nevada
November 9 (p.m.)	a. Visit to Lear Industries to see steam engine developments b. Cultural activities
November 10, 11	Travel by car to Los Angeles through Yosemite National Park and other points of interest

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
November 12, 13, 14	a. Visit to State of California emissions measurement laboratory b. Review of mobile sources pollution control program for Los Angeles basin c. Visit to aerospace laboratories working on the mobile sources pollution control problem d. Cultural activities (Disneyland, etc.)
November 15	Travel to Washington, D. C.
November 16	Visit to Colonial Williamsburg
November 17	a. Final Working Group meeting b. Cultural activities
November 18	Travel to New York City and Moscow



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Dear Mr. Fomin:

I wish to express my sincere thanks for the hospitality which you and your colleagues bestowed on our working group during the two weeks we spent in your country. We all came away with a better understanding and appreciation of your technical and cultural achievements and look forward to continuing progress in our relationship.

One of the agreements made during our visit was the exchange of information on new control technology. I have enclosed two reports on a Russian system which were published in America. It would be appreciated if you could send me more detail on the function and test results for these systems and also your own technical opinion of the system.

In one discussion Mr. Thompson spoke of his interest in any information we might be able to provide on use of barium and manganese additives. We are initiating a broad program which will explore the emission characteristics, health effects and catalyst deterioration aspects of these materials but it will be some time before data will be available on these various projects. We will be glad to review the details of our program when you visit us in September. In the meantime I have enclosed a copy of a report from Lubriol Corporation which presents some of their technological studies on their barium based diesel additive. There is also enclosed a copy of a truck study that we sponsored where the additive was used for six months in heavy duty hauling operations. Smoke reduction was quite significant for the full length of the test. Another report titled "Guide to Reduction of Smoke and Odor for Diesel-Powered Vehicles" discusses use of fuel


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additives but expresses our reservations (page 16) on use of metal containing additives because of potential toxicity problems.

We presently have very little information on manganese additives although Ethyl Corporation has been experimenting with them for a number of years. It is understood that manganese could catalyze in a fashion similar to lead.

I hope that you will find this information useful and if you have any further questions on it I will be glad to elaborate. Thanks again for your kind hospitality and I look forward to your forthcoming visit.

Sincerely,



Ralph C. Stahman
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